Title: Regarding disallowing of notices of adjournment motion on devastating floods and natural calamity of severe nature in West Bengal.

MR. SPEAKER: I have to make some observations. Please sit down.

Hon. Members, I have received from S/Shri Moinul Hassan, Nikhilananda Sar, Subodh Roy, Lakshman Seth, Mahboob Zahedi, Basu Deb Acharia, Sunil Khan, Somnath Chatterjee, Rupchand Pal, Hannan Mollah, Anil Basu and Ajoy Chakraborty, Members, notices of adjournment motion on devastating floods and natural calamity of severe nature in West Bengal. The adjournment motion is an extraordinary device which, if admitted, leads to setting aside the normal business of the House for discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance. Though the subject is an important one, for it to merit discussion in the House, I do not consider it appropriate to adjourn the entire business for this purpose. Therefore, I have disallowed the notices.

I may, however, inform the Members that I have received, on the same subject, notices under Rule 193 from several Members.

The meeting of the Business Advisory Committee is scheduled to be held this afternoon. The Business Advisory Committee may decide the manner in which this has to be taken up and the time to be allotted for the subject.

...(*Interruptions*)